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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application No.	09/538,954
Filing Date	March 31, 2000
First Named Inventor	Carl M. Ellison
Art Unit	2137
Examiner Name	T.M. Norris
Attorney Docket Number	42390P8107

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☒ Other Response, IDS, and Cross Reference filed 9/15/04; IDS and eIDS filed 6/29/04
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) and any additional claims fee(s)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other: (\$00) 11/08/2004 H0111 00000050 09538954
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$900.00 enclosed 01 FC:1801 790.00 0P
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)
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In re Patent Application of:

Carl M. Ellison et al.

Application No.: 09/538,954

Docket No.: P8107

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For: Generating Isolated Bus Cycles For  
Isolated Execution

Examiner: Tremayne M. Norris

Art Unit: 2137

**Preliminary Amendment with Request for Continued Examination**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 29, 2004, Applicants submitted amendments on September 15, 2004. After applying those amendments, please further amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this response.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this response.

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